Missed our July 29 Town Hall, or simply forget some of the answers to our questions? We put together this nice summary of our most-asked questions from the event. If you have anything that is not addressed here or in the recording, don’t hesitate to reach out to us at askopds@fandm.edu! Frequently asked questions and answers:

Q: When should we start applying for work-study jobs?
A: There will be a campus job fair for new students on Tuesday, August 31.

Q: Are there any transfer specific orientation programs to be aware of?
A: We will be providing details specifically for our transfers soon. Look out for details in a few weeks from Melissa Giess.

Q: We are arriving / moving in early. Will the formal house welcoming ceremonies happen all at one time?
A: All official welcome programs are scheduled once the full class has arrived on Saturday August 28.

Q: Can Freshmen bring a car? If so how does that work?
A: First years are not allowed to have vehicles on campus — once you become a sophomore and later you can apply to have your vehicle registered on campus.
Q: Can your rent a micro fridge for your dorm room?
A: Micro-fridge rental is available. Please contact housing@fandm.edu if you have questions about the process.

Q: If our student is coming early for a fall sport, should parents return to be part of orientation on 28th of August with our student?
A: Parents will absolutely be welcome for the Family portions of the 28th Orientation, but this is completely optional and conditional on the individuals.

Q: When do students receive their schedules or pick their classes?
A: Students will receive their class schedules in mid-August earlier and will meet with their academic advisor during Orientation on Monday, August 30th. Classes will begin on September 1.

Q: What is OSPGD?
A: The Office of Student and Post-Graduate Development (OSPGD) https://www.fandm.edu/ospgd.

Q: Is there an ATM on campus, and if so, what is the bank affiliation? If not, what is the closest bank to campus?
A: We have an ATM for Fulton Bank in the Steinman College Center.

Q: International students have to go on August 24th for orientation but are the college houses going to be open for us?
A: Yes they will! You will be able to move directly into your room assignment, and meet your House Advisor during International Orientation.

Q: Will any freshman be assigned single rooms?
A: We do have a limited number of (mostly medical need) singles for first year students. Those requests with supporting documentation can be submitted to the housing office.
Q: When does the meal plan start?
A: The board plan for students begins with dinner on Thursday, August 26th. All Pre-orientation programs are required to cover the cost of meals for their students (including athletics).

Q: When will we get the chance to sign up for extracurriculars?
A: We will have a club/organization fair on Friday, September 10. More information will be provided once you arrive on campus.

Q: Does every college house have a kitchen?
A: Yes, each of the College Houses has a shared kitchen. Access to the kitchen varies depending on the house to allow for special dining needs and events.

Q: Do I need to bring a printer to campus?
A: Students have access to printers all across campus — most buildings and all college houses have printers, but student accounts will be charged a minor amount per page printed.

Q: How do laundry services work?
A: Laundry facilities are free, no coins needed, and can be found in the basements of all college dormitories.

Q: Do dorm rooms have individual thermostats or is the temperature controlled centrally? Can dorm windows generally be opened and do they have screens?
A: Dorm room temperatures are controlled from a central thermostat — students cannot control that — and dorm windows do open, but most of them only open part-way.